

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A laminate comprising a printed layer, a transparent thermoplastic polyurethane layer and a layer forming a substrate of a thermoplastic material wherein the printed layer is interposed between the
- 5 layer forming a substrate and the polyurethane layer.
2. The laminate according to Claim 1 wherein the printed layer contains a high-temperature resistant colored ink.
3. The laminate according to Claim 1 wherein the thermoplastic material is at least one member selected from the group consisting of
- 10 polyamide, polyester, polyolefin, styrene copolymer, polyphenylene oxide, polycarbonate, polyphenylene sulfide, polyvinyl chloride, polyurethane, PSO and PEEK.
4. The laminate according to Claim 1 wherein the transparent thermoplastic polyurethane layer has a softening temperature (according
- 15 to Kofler) of 140 to 180°C, a Shore A hardness of 50 to 95, and thickness of at least 0.025 mm.
5. The laminate according to Claim 1 further containing an intermediate layer of thermoplastic material interposed between said substrate and said printed layer, said intermediate layer comprising
- 20 material that differs from the material of said substrate.
6. The laminate according to Claim 1 wherein the printed layer has a thickness of 3 to 50 μm .
7. The laminate according to Claim 1 wherein the thermoplastic material is transparent.
- 25 8. The laminate according to Claim 1 wherein the substrate forms the cover layer in respect to the surroundings.
9. A method of using the laminate of Claim 1 comprising producing an article of manufacture.

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